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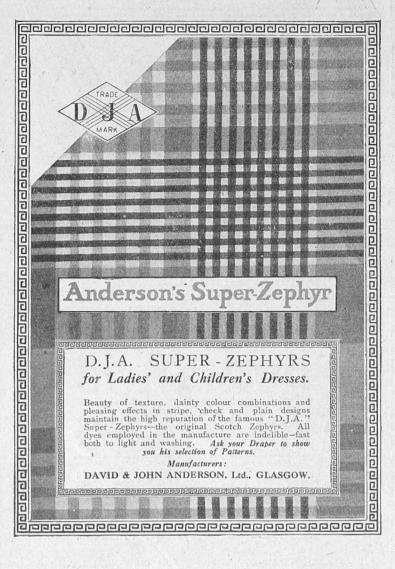
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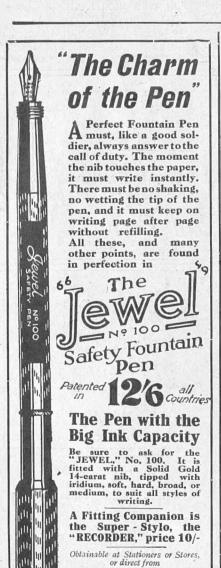
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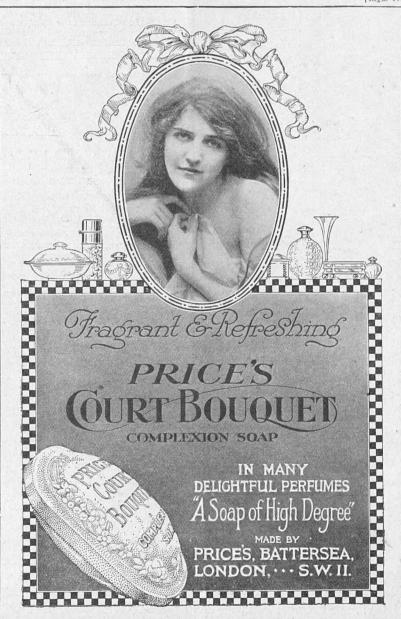
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ONE SHILLING.



AFTER THEIR MARRIAGE: MAJOR A. W. BIRD, D.S.O., R.A.F., AND MRS. BIRD (MISS CLARICE BARTON FRENCH).

The wedding of Major Augustus W. Bird and Clarice Mary, only daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. S. Barton French, of New York and Virginia, were welcomed at 139, Piccadilly, lent by Baroness d'Erlanger.

"Spiritualistic Monkey-Tricks"—by Nevil Maskelyne.

SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE'S description of a "spiritualistic séance" he attended on Ech ve hand the Press, and appears to have created some excitement. The "medium," who was accompanied by his brother, is a collier of Pendarren. Describing the two, Sir Arthur says, "They looked more like international footballers than spiritualistic media. They were fine specimens of humanity, perfectly open, and insisted on being thoroughly searched before the phenomena appeared." The medium was tied with ropes to a chair, the sitters joined hands, the lights were turned down, and then the fun began. Not

immediately, of course, but after some hymns had been sung.

From the description of this séance one gathers that the bad old days of spiritualism have come again. We have the same old rattling of tambourines, the same old mysterious hands touching the sitters, the same old taking-off of the bound medium's coat, the latter being deposited in the lap of one of the sitters.

Now this sort of thing has been going on for generations, and, naturally, we have learned a good deal about it. From the very beginning it was obvious that, apart from tests of a stringent character, such "manifestations" could easily be produced by trickery. Thus it has been the common practice to devise and impose tests which should, if possible, prevent the possibility of trickery being em-

ployed. Yet, in spite of the imposition of tests supposed to be conclusive, mediums have again and again been detected and exposed. It has been found that tests supposed to be conclusive were really no tests at all.

For example, it has been shown that rope-tying is no test, and hand-holding is no test. Mediums have been tied and held in every possible way, and yet have found means for working their tricks. This has been proved to demonstration. Yet a capable man like Sir Arthur Conan Doyle can still reconcile it to his intelligence to believe that manifestations produced by a medium whilst bound and held must necessarily have a supernatural origin.

In the face of past experience, what reason can Sir Arthur have for assuming that what he saw at the Cardiff séance was anything more than trickery? Why should he so definitely assert that the power whereby the manifestations were produced is conveyed by the æther of space? The æther was sufficiently overburdened already, without imposing upon it the duty of banging tambourines and rattling castanets.

For goodness' sake, let us look at such matters in the light of common-sense. There is one rule of which sight should never be lost-namely, that, until we have exhausted normal possibilities, we should never assume the intervention of the supernormal. Looking back upon the history of this subject, we are bound to say that, in the present instance, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle has no right to assume that normal possibilities were exhausted, and that, therefore, the manifestations could not be due to trickery. Mediums have been bound and held times out of number, and yet have had no difficulty in resorting to trickery. That is a matter of absolute fact, clearly demonstrated. Then, since it has been done before, why not again?

No mediums have been more securely bound and held than were the Davenports and the Fays in years gone by. Yet they managed to work their tricks quite easily. And that they were tricksters is a fact upon which no doubt can be cast.

Of all the tests ever applied to a medium that of rope-tying is, perhaps, the most futile. To begin with, not one man in a million



SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE.

Sir Arthur believes that such happenings as those at the recent Cardiff séance are first lessons in spiritualism, the elementary step leading to the conversion of those who look upon materialism as the beginning and the end of Life. He urges that we have proof of communication after death.—[Photograph by E. O. Hoppe.]

MR. NEVIL MASKELYNE. Mr. Maskelyne does not believe in the spiritualistic side of the Cardiff séance. His article gives his view.—[Photograph by Claude Harris.]

knows how to tie a person securely. I have often heard my father say that, when reproducing the Davenport trickeries, he had sometimes the greatest difficulty in preventing the ropes from falling off him. People have always the idea that, if plenty of rope be used, the performer must necessarily be tied securely. If one turn of the rope does not hold him, another will; so put on plenty and he must be rendered helpless. No greater mistake could be made. I defy anybody to tie a person securely with a long piece of rope. Given rope enough, there will always be enough slack to enable the performer to get free. Years ago, the rope-tying business used to be performed at fairs and at street-corners. There is no reason to suppose that the art has entirely died out.

Of course, the most effective "manifestation" recorded by Sir Arthur is that in which the luminiferous æther dragged off the medium's coat and deposited it upon Lady Doyle's lap. Well, did; not my father do that very thing years ago, at Sandringham, before the late King Edward and Queen Alexandra? Here is his account of the matter, as given in his Reminiscences-

"I mention this performance particularly, as some very amusing incidents took place. I was performing the famous coat-trick of the Davenports. Ira Davenport, with his wrists tied behind his back and the knots sealed, could take off his coat in a few seconds. I improved upon that trick. I was secured in the same manner, and, in addition, I allowed a piece of tape to be passed through the button-holes of the lapels of my coat, tied tightly across the chest, and sealed. In this condition, I could take off my coat in five

"I had practised throwing things in the dark, and could aim very accurately. I threw my coat at King Edward, intending that it should fall into his lap. Unfortunately, however, my aim was not so good as usual. When the lights were turned up, his head was completely enveloped in my coat.

"To show that there was no trick in the coat, I asked to have one lent to me. The King told one of the party who was about my size to lend me his dress-coat. To create a laugh, I put the coat on inside out. When the lights were turned up, it was seen that the lining of the coat was a mass of rags. The King was convulsed

with laughter, and exclaimed, 'Dick, Dick, is that your coat?' The reply was, 'No, Sir; it is one I borrowed.'

I have seen my father do this coat-trick many times, but I have never known him to have hymns sung in order to "harmonise the influences." Hymn-singing is, no doubt, an excellent cover for any noise an inexperienced performer may make in getting his bonds free enough to allow him sufficient room. But, really, comic songs would serve the purpose equally well. The idea of singing hymns in order to get the æther into condition for shaking a tambourine or for pulling a man's coat over his head seems ridiculous to the verge of insanity.

By the way, while they were about it, why did they

not think to tie up the medium's brother? It would not, of course, have served any useful purpose. But neither did tying up

By inference, the strong point about Sir Arthur's account is the presumed innocence of the collier-medium. That is nearly always the attitude adopted in such cases. It was so in the case of poor old Boursnell, the spirit photographer. But that did not prevent the rabbet-marks upon his negatives from showing evidences of three exposures—one for the sitter, one for the "spirit," and one for the halo surrounding the latter. It was so in the case of Eusapia Paladino; but that did not prevent her from being one of the most unscrupulous frauds that ever hoodwinked innocent-minded dupes.

TAKING THE GOLDEN APPLE: NEW YORK'S GREAT BEAUTY BALL.



Youth, took place at the Hotel des Artistes, New York, on Jan. 31 The golden apple, as the prize for the most beautiful woman present, was awarded to Miss Edith Hyde, a brunette of twenty-two, daughter of Mr. Raymond Hyde, a landscape painter, and formerly the wife of Mr. Clarence A. Robbins The judges seen in the lower photograph are

The American Artists' Beauty Ball, in celebration of the Spirit of | (l. to r.) Messrs. Harrison Fisher, Penrhyn Stanlaws, Howard Chandler Christy, and James Montgomery Flagg-all well-known artists. Mr. Charles Dana Gibson was also said to be one of the judges The qualifications included, besides perfection of form, intelligence, strength, dignity, and grace of poise and carriage. It is well that both mind and body counted.—[Photographs by Topical.]



To-day I started off on my house-search in a House-Hunting. businesslike manner. Armed with my "Orders to View," I went the round of them all. At one the caretaker was out; at another, the drains were all wrong, the rent was pre-

posterous; the next had just been taken, and the tenants were already in possession-and so on until worn out. I turned to my slips of "To Let" from the morning papers. I jumped into a passing taxi and made for the first address that caught my eye. In due course the taxi drew up-but surely I had come to a celebration or wedding, for no fewer than five taxis were standing by the pavement. But no; for the first time during my weary day I laughedfor, evidently, we had read the same small advertisement in the same large morning newspaper. This, of course, will be highly gratifying news to the advertising canvassers, but it does not make for enthusiasm when one is on a "House-ANOTHER ALARMING SHORTAGE.

Hunt."

The White Rose.

My recently grown - up cousin, who has pro-

gressed in knowledge if not considerably in inches, has just come back from a wonderful week-end spent at the Royal York Hotel, Brighton. She has dined-dined, mark you-with Billy Wells; and Harry Randall himself taught her some of the choruses of his oldest songs, after dinner. She saw Hetty King and Peggy Primrosewho, she says, is so pretty; but what made her very excited was that she was introduced to G. P. Huntly. It seems that the Fairy Godmother of the Revels has been Harry Preston, who, true to tradition, executed a sprightly little dance on the slightest provoca-

"Despite the severity of the winter, women's dresses in Paris still show a

tendency to diminish both in length and in height—a phenomenon which has alarmed both the Church and the

medical profession. Dressmakers de-clare that the shrinkage is imposed

on them by the famine in materials."-Daily Mail.

tion. I understand that everybody mentioned, and quite a large number of those who have not been mentioned, have sworn to wear the White Rose, the eternal emblem of the illustrious House of York, as a perpetual

In the House.

memento.

Miss Joy Ryde returned to London very much annoved with the weather she found there. When she was helped out of the train by Fred Farren she was not in a mood to have a dance. Determined to find something in the way of a lively contrast to the prevailing gloom of an English climate, she took the first taxi-cab which a benign porter with an

air of considerable condescension found for her and drove straight to the House of Commons. "At any rate." Joy confessed to me in one of her expressive moods, "I felt it would be more exciting than the Coliseum or the pictures." And Joy, with that mysterious intuition which belongs to youth, was right. When she got her little front seat at the New House of Public Entertainment, Mr. Bottomley was upon his legs and cutting and slashing the Government in all sorts of ways-about the Ministerial Re-Election Joy did not understand much about the various arguments - but she thought that Lord Winter-

ton looked a darling, and that Mr. Will Crooks was a perfect

HE'S GOT TO BELIEVE HER.

The Judge: "I tell you candidly I do not believe a word of your wife's story."

The Witness: "That's all very well, You may do as you like, but I've got to."

dear. I sincerely hope that his Lordship was not jealous of this distinction.

"Have you "Woollies." noticed my gloves?" said Joy Ryde to me, holding up two enormouslooking, hideous, grey-woolled hands. I severely cross-examined my little cousin, and discovered that she considers it smart to wear wool in any form, since it is so scarce. In spite of her gloves, I took her to lunch at the Savoy. During lunch she really startled me. "Look!" she said excitedly. "Look at Would any that table! woman have dared to wear those old golf-coats anywhere but on the links if wool were not so scarce?"-and she pointed to her gloves with a gurgle of triumph. "Next



SEEN IN A FILM AT LADY ISLINGTON'S MATINÉE FOR THE "PRO PATRIA" DAY NURSERY; WELL-KNOWN SOCIETY LEADERS. From left to right are (in front, on the ground) Miss Queenie Thomas and Miss Poynder; (behind) Lady Cynthia Curzon, Lady Mainwaring, Mrs. Montague Porch (Lady Randolph Churchill), Miss Lutyens, Lady Gwendeline Churchill, Lady Islington, and Lady Joan Capell.

Photograph by Sport and General.

time you see me," she whispered in a threatening manner, "I will be wearing thick woollen stockings." I hear that Mrs. Frank Brighton was the first to introduce the woolly glove into fashionable London; and Lady Lymelyghte has heard a terrifying rumour that

there will be woollen nightgowns before the woollen craze is killed by some revival of chiffon!

An Albert Hall Fête.

Last week I had not the space to make more than a casual reference to the Three Arts Ball at the Albert Hall. I must tell vou some more about it now. Certainly it was one of the



MILK FOR BABES.

The Vicar: "Are you aware that we require this milk for the hitherto recognised purposes?"

The Milkman: "I hope so, Sir."

The Vicar: "I merely mentioned it in case you may have thought we wanted it for the font."—Daily Paper.

events of the year. In the exuberance of colour displayed and in the frolicsome, unrestrained merriment that characterised every stage of the proceedings it recalled the old, happy, light-hearted



THE FALLEN ACTORS' MEMORIAL AT DRURY LANE: THE UNVEILING BY THE BISHOP OF LONDON.

The Bishop is seen fifth from right. Third from right is Mr. Harry Dearth, who sang "Land of Hope and Glory," and on the extreme right Mr. Ben Davies,—[Photograph by Sport and General.]



ALL-CONQUERING LABOUR: THE SPADE AND PICK IN HERALDRY. This is the new badge of the Labour Corps, whose motto is "Labor Omnia Vincit" (Labour conquers all). Photograph by L.N.A.

dances of pre-war days. Many of the dancers who were unable to obtain a taxi to take them homewhy is it; by the way, that taxis are always scarcest when they are most wanted ?-kept it up until the first morning "Tube" started to run.

Of course, Midnight Revellers. "everybody who is anybody" was there to grace the occasion. Lord Lonsdale appeared to be enjoying himself hugely, and among the whirling waltzers-though to-day the word "waltzer" seems sadly out of date-I noticed Lady Markham, Lady Lavery, and Lady Phillips. Miss Mabel Russell was entertaining a small party of friends in her

box. Sir Herbert Morgan's box was very full. Among his guests I observed Mr. Stanley Logan in a tight-fitting purple suit, and Mr.

Basil Macdonald Hastings, who is still in khaki. Naturally, the theatrical profession was well to the fore. Miss Winifred Barnes was dancing with Mr. Billy Leonard, who was scarcely recognisable in his disguise of an aged "gaffer." I almost collided with Miss Maidie Andrews and Miss Mimi Crawford - two "Yes, Uncle!"



THE UNKINDEST (WOOD)CUT OF ALL. "Vanity we believe to be the compelling motive of most of these strike leaders, a vanity which is fed by the illustrated papers. A woodcut of Bert, in the centre, with pipe, seems a small cause of such a big and nasty thing as a railway strike; but such is human nature."—Saturday Review.

stars—who were racing at break-neck speed along one of the corridors. In one of the boxes, Vi Loraine, Teddie Gerard, and Barry Baxter were having, apparently, a royal time. Nelson Keys, in his quaint

costume of a sailor boy, attracted a considerable amount of attention. Edmée Dormeuil was disguised as an oyster, and must have danced herself dizzy. Among the other stars of the stage and of the musical world, I caught a fleeting glimpse of Ivor Novello, Mabel Green, and Nora Swinburne. Miss Margaret Chute, the organiser of the Ball, looked radiantly happy-as well she might, in view of the success that had crowned her efforts.

I was present at For Fallen Actors. a very impressive and touching little ceremony a few days ago, when the Bishop of London unveiled in the vestibule of Drury Lane

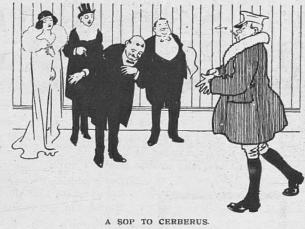


WHAT WE MAY ALL COME TO: A LONDON FAMILY IN "FLU" MASKS. Photograph by Illustrations Bureau.

FIRST PRIZE WINNER AT THE "CANA-DIAN WAR RECORDS" FANCY DRESS BALL IN AID OF ST. DUNSTAN'S: MRS. MCNEIL, WITH HER HUSBAND. Photograph by C.N.

Theatre, a Memorial to the members of the theatrical and musical staff who had fallen in the war. The Bishop is always at his best on these occasions, and as he stood there, clad in a tight-fitting purple cassock, a somewhat wistful smile overspreading his spare, ascetic face, he looked the type of ecclesiastic of whom we might all be proud. His address struck the right note at the outset. Unlike certain acrid clerics, he is not ashamed to confess himself a playgoer, and he made a graceful reference to the enjoyable evenings he had spent at the theatre. "For nearly eighteen years now I have tried to be everybody's Bishop," he said—a statement that everybody who knows Dr. Ingram will heartily endorse. He

describe the cremony as " a tender act of chivalry and gratitude and love." and concluded with a glowing tribute to those members of the acting profession who had played their part so manfully in the larger theatre of war.



"On and after to-night the Trocadero offers some supper to every taxi-man picking up a fare there from 11.45 p.m. until the restaurant closes."—Daily Paper.

The service proceeded along simple lines. First, that grand old hymn, "O God, our A Touching Service. Help in Ages Past" was sung. Then Canon Adderley, the Rector

of the Parish, and himself a good friend to the Stage, read a lesson from Ecclesiasticus. At the conclusion of the service the National Anthem was sung, followed by "Land of Hope and Glory," beautifully rendered by Harry Dearth. Then came the most impressive moment of all. The doors of the inner vestibule were thrown open, and from within came the shrill, piercing bugle-notes of "The Last Post." Many eyes were wet with tears.

In the Audience. The audience was a small one, but it comprised many wellknown theatrical people. Standing near the Bishop I noticed the tall, spare figure of Sir Frank Benson, who looked very striking in his Red Cross uniform. Mr. Louis Parker followed the service with his ear-trumpet. The Rev. Everard

Digby, attired as an Army padre, and Mr. " Jimmy" Glover stood on the left of the vestibule. I could not help thinking, when

it was all over, that even the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, had seldom witnessed a more moving

The outstanding At the Play. "first night" of last week was "A Certain Liveliness." I never miss a first night



AGAIN AT WALTON HEATH: LADY STEVEN-SON PUTTING. Photograph by Sport and General,

if I can help it, and I always enjoy a Hastings play. So, in spite of the horrid rain and sleet, I betook myself to the St. Martin's, and was fortunate enough to capture a good seat in the stalls. The little theatre was crowded with one of the most enthusiastic audiences I have ever seen. Admiral Sir Reginald Hall occupied a prominent seat. I noticed, too, many of the author's old friends. Mr. Herman Finck was making jokes to a company of male companions between the acts. Douglas Furber, author of "God Send

You Back to Me." and Emmett Adams (composer of the same), with his sister Bertie, was sitting in the same row of stalls as myself. Just behind me was Colonel Robert Loraine, who was wearing ordinary evening dress. Beautiful Lydia Bilbrooke and her husband were not far away. Mr. Macdonald Hastings was not there to "take his call" at the fall of the curtain; but Mr. Seymour Hicks responded on his behalf in a

graceful little speech.

THE WORLDLING.



ACH! VOT VOS DAT?

"Two giant men in shorts and bare legs were hurrying past, scattering paper from bags. Shade of Bismarck! It was a paper-chase. Along the sedate Ancherer-strasse they ran, followed a little later by a straggling column in pursuit, who turned out to be men of the Grenadier Guards."—A Cologne Correspondent.



HOSE of the public who are already acquainted with Lady Cromartie's novels and dramatic work will be interested to hear that she has almost finished another play. Mysticism and imagination have been the characteristics of the works she has hitherto produced; and some years ago "The Finding of the Sword," a not too cheery Celtic drama, made quite a

> Bolshevism, or intended to restrict

> her efforts to the

law-abiding sections

of the community,

I never quite dis-

covered; but she

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not long ago, if I

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somewhere in

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good impression when produced at the Playhouse for some charitable object. The war stimulated her to write another playlet in a good cause, and the "Tiger of Asshur" gave the author an opportunity of playing as a dancing-girl, and the Aldershot folk a chance of seeing her do itand, incidentally, of helping the funds of the Red Cross.

Lady Cromartie is a sister Her Mission. of Lady Constance Stewart Richardson, whose dancing is almost as curious as the clothes she affects. Lady Constance, bythe-bye, was reported to have started for Russia some time ago for the purpose of teaching dancing to the children of that country. Whether she expected Art to stem the tide of

MARRY AN OFFICER: MISS LORNA GODFREY. Miss Godfrey, whose engagement to Captain Ernest Cecil Dixon, R.E., second son of the late Mr. Henry Ernest Dixon, and Mrs. Dixon, of Palace Road, Surbiton, is an-nounced, is the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Godfrey, of Palace Road, Surbiton.

Photograph by Lafayette.

Lord Gisborough-better remembered, perhaps, Colonel Chaloner - whose military career began in 1878, and included service in India, Afghanistan, and South Africa, whence he was invalided home in the late summer of 1900. Lord Gisborough is brother to Mr. Walter Long, but changed his name to Chaloner under the will of the Admiral of that name in 1888.

The indigna-Popular tion roused in in England. London, and England generally, when the news of the attempt on M. Clemenceau's life was made public last week was especially interesting as an indication of the respect and admiration felt for "The Tiger" in this country. We are not given to adopting other people's heroes, and it is not

so long since the idea of a Frenchman being regarded in anything approaching that light by the English public would have been scoffed at as merely absurd. But the war has made us far less insular than of old. More than that, M. Clemenceau has pluck of the kind which appeals to the British sporting instinct. He has shown himself, too, the implacable enemy of

Germany, and on that ground, if on no other, he would be certain of the approval of the vast majority of people in this country-who wouldn't, if it came to that, object to a little more plain speaking on the subject at home.

To-Day's Wedding. Lord Althorp's wedding to-day (Wednesday) is the first of the two marriages that make this week unique from the point of view of social interest. To-day's ceremony at the rather-from the smart - wedding standpoint—unfashionable St. James's Church, Piccadilly, has a political as well as social interest, for the Spencer and Abercorn families represent, respectively, Whig and Tory traditions. But politics have not much

chance against Cupid - nor, for that matter, against fashion — and the women guests at to-day's ceremony are far more likely to be envying the bridesmaids their yellow gowns, copied from Sir Joshua Reynolds's celebrated portrait of

Lavinia Countess Spencer, than recalling episodes in the political careers of the ancestors of the couple at the altar.

Sir Berkeley Milne's Testimonial for retirement, and puban Admiral. lication by the Ad-

miralty of what may be described as an official testimonial to mark the event, recall the early days of the war, when, the Breslau and the Goeben having



ENGAGED: MISS HYACINTH BOUWENS. Miss Bouwens, whose engagement to Lieutenant-Colonel George de Grey, D.S.O., 1st Norfolk Regiment, son of the Hon. and Mrs. John de Grey, of Airlie Gardens, is announced, is the only daughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Bouwens and Mrs. Lambart Bouwens, of Box-moor House, Boxmoor.—[Photograph by Lafayette.]

sounds a chilly spot unless one is clothed for the

She Likes Simplicity. Lady Gisborough, who thinks that dances in Armistice time ought to be

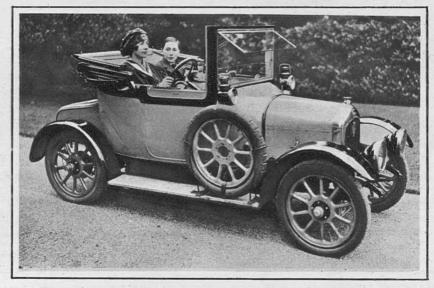
as simple as possible, has the best of reasons for sympathising, as she professes to do, with young people's desire for frivolity. She and her daughters were all ardent war-workers, thus following the strenuous example set by



TO BE MARRIED ON MAR. 4: MISS OLIVE M. GLADSTONE. Miss Gladstone, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Gladstone, of Bowden Park, Chippenham, is to wed Major Robert Lindsay Loyd, O.B.E., M.C., 16th Lancers, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Loyd, of Downs House, Steventon, at St. Anne's Church, Bowden Hill, Chippenham.

Photograph by Lafayette.

successfully reached a Turkish fort, all sorts of extraordinary stories concerning the manner of their escape were immediately put into circulation. The cleverest of German spies could hardly have achieved, even under the most favourable circumstances, the various feats which, it was said, facilitated the escape of the two vessels; and there were quite a number of arm-chair critics who were not slow to point out that their success in this direction was not the best thing for the professional reputation of the Admiral in command of the Mediterranean Fleet. But "mares' nests" were plentiful at the beginning of the war. If there are still people who think that Sir Berkeley was lightly let off, the Admiralty statement should set their minds at rest once and for all.



MOTORING IN IRELAND: LADY WIMBORNE AND HER SON.

Lady Wimborne, who is here seen in her two-seated motor, with her son, the Hon. Ivor Grosvenor Guest, was, before her marriage in 1902, the Hon. Alice Katherine Sibell Grosvenor, daughter of the second Baron Ebury. Her only son was born in 1903, and she has two young daughters.

Viscount Wimborne, P.C., was Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, 1915-18.

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ARRAYED FOR "REVELRY BY NIGHT": POPULAR ACTRESSES.

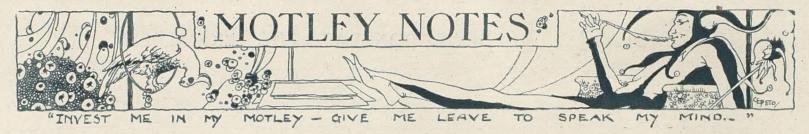


1. IN A DRESS WORN AT THE BRUSSELS BALL ON THE EVE 2 HULLO, ALBERT HALL: MISS ELSIE JANIS IN HER "THREE OF WATERLOO: MISS DOT TEMPLE.

ARTS" DRESS.

3. A PARABLE IN EPAULETTES: MISS FAY TEMPLE, A WELL-KNOWN FILM ACTRESS.

Rainbow Ends" and kindred pieces, is now "grown-up," and appearing as the bride in "Oh, Joy," at the Kingsway. Her dress at the Three Arts Ball was the identical one an ancestress of hers wore on a more famous occasion, when "there was a sound of revelry by night" in Brussels on the eve of Waterloo. Miss Elsie Janis, we need hardly recall, is still queening it at the Palace Theatre in "Hullo, America" with wonderful success. Miss Fay Temple is well known on the films.



By KEBLE HOWARD ("Chicot")

Practical Idealism. I read an article somewhere the other day in which the writer jeered at President Wilson for his idealistic enthusiasm over the League of Nations. But the time has come when the stolid English must accept the fact that your idealist may be just as practical a man as the nearest porkbutcher. Every man who strives to give concrete shape to a mental conception is an idealist. George Stephenson was an idealist. To make a wheeled vehicle run along without horses or oxen was the dream of a visionary. It was a dream that evoked yells of laughter from the non-imaginative. Yet the non-imaginative are now content to light themselves, and warm themselves, and be carried round the world as the result of this madman's ideal which he put into concrete shape.

Wilbur Wright was another man who aroused the cackles of the non-imaginative. The idea of human beings flying was always safe for a big laugh in an average assembly. Even now, flying is considered very funny. There is a play in London which depends entirely for its humour on the idea of a man crashing to earth from the clouds. Yet the laugh is obviously, at the last, with Wilbur Wright.

The League of Nations is the most stupendous thing in the history of legislation. It is so stupendous that people simply cannot realise what it means to their children and their children's children. Even if it fails, it leave the world the better for the attempt to stamp out - war. If it succeeds, it means that Humanity, instead of staggering forward an inch, and then backwards an inch, and then wards a quarter of an inch, and so forth, has taken a mighty bound in the direction of Sanity, and Happi-

ness, and all the things that would make life on this planet worth while if we could only secure them.

Tugging at Daddy's And while this tremendous effort is being made, an effort which means nothing less than the Coat-Tails. liberation of the whole world from slavery, certain sections of the population-only certain sections, mind youseize on the moment to hamper progress by clamouring about their own little affairs. I am in sympathy with the workers; I am in sympathy with every man who depends on his own labours for his money; but I do protest at the folly, to call it no worse a name, of hanging on to daddy's coat-tails when he is trying to down the

Good heavens! Are the so-called working-classes the only people who want a bit more for their labours? Are the so-called working-classes the only people who want better homes, and shorter hours, and more fresh air, and wider opportunities for their children? Take the life of the miner and contrast it with that of the doctor in a poor and populous district. It is true that the miner goes under the ground, and often works in a bad atmosphere, and runs certain risks. I have lately been down a mine and seen it all for myself. But, when his work is done for the day, it is done. The doctor's work is never done. And how about his risks?

The good people of Dover want the remains of Struggle for the the Vindictive. Portsmouth has her Victory; "Vindictive." why should not Dover have her Vindictive? The Admiralty are sympathetic. They admit, it seems, that the people of Dover have a right, if anybody has a right, to the remains of the Vindictive. But the Admiralty object to the idea of the Vindictive being cherished as a relic. And they support their objection with a gruesome story.

The Vindictive has been mangled, it seems, almost beyond recognition, by the Hun. First of all, the Hun tried to blow her up. Failing in that, the Hun tried to blow her down. Failing in that also, the Hun tore and scrabbled at the gallant old ship. They tore away her funnels, and her bridges, and her hatches, and her ventilators. They tore away everything on her decks. They left nothing but the hull. Surely, argued the Admiralty, Dover would not wish to preserve the mere hull as a relic?

But Dover sets great store by the mere hull. And I agree with Dover. Although the public of to-day and generations to follow us will never see the Vindictive as I saw her-just after she returned

from Zeebrugge and before she went to Ostend-I am quite certain they would like to gaze on the actual hull of this historic vessel. The "brows" are no more; the fightingtop, in which all but one of a gallant band of Marines went to their death. has been demolished by the iconoclastic Hun; but no matter. The hull, after all, is the main part of the vessel, and I wish the good folk of Dover every success in their struggle for its possession.

Another Pioneer

Discouraged.

Cruel hard is the

lot of the pioneer



A FILM STAR'S FANCY: BILLIE BURKE THINKS SHE HEARS A MOUSE.

in this country. Do as others do, and the world will approve; berray the least touch of originality, and the English-probably the greatest moral cowards in the world-will shrink from you in horror.

A lady in South London has just joined the ranks of the disillusioned. Her idea of brightening life—and not such a bad idea, either-was to leave the house by the ground-floor window instead of by the door. Can't you understand how weary the imaginative mind becomes of using a door as a door and a window as a window?

My sympathies, at any rate, go out to this lady in South London. Her landlord, who happened to be a landlady, strongly objected to this new and refreshing mode of egress. She was scandalised. What would the neighbours think? It was never done! Everybody else in South London entered and left the house in the usual manner. This custom must be kept up, or South London would be in danger of resembling the South Sea Islands.

So the aggrieved landlady hurried to the police-court and told her grievance to the magistrate. "I don't think she can be quite right," said the landlady.

That was precisely what I should have expected her to say. Do as your neighbours do, however miserable the result, and you are "quite right"; do as you wish to do, and, however joyous the result, you are "not quite right." And some people thought the war had changed the British character!

LEADER OF A PROCESSION-AT THE PICCADILLY.



SEEN IN NEW CREATIONS AT THE SECOND SLAVO DANCE: MME. ASTAFIEVA.

Mme. Astafieva arranged to lead the procession at the second Slavo dance, at the Piccadilly Hotel, in aid of the Fund for Disabled Serbian Soldiers; and, on the same occasion, to render a couple of new creations—not Jazzes!—[Photograph by Hugh Cecil.]



THE Deans and Canons were unusually enterprising at the recent Convocation: they were even judged lively enough to be reported in the penny papers—the papers that were once a halfpenny. "We are over-loaded with prayers for the King," grumbled one; but I can tell him a tale to prove that such prayers

do not always slip with the smoothness of perfect familiarity even from the lips of some of his Majesty's most faithful servants. Only a few months ago it was decided to institute such prayers before work started in the hangars at a school for R.A.F. cadets. An officer with a record of long service was entrusted with the reading. His voice rang out nobly as he besought the Almighty to shower his blessing "on our most gracious King, Edward VII." There was an awkward pause, and then, very sternly, "As you were—on our most gracious King, George V."

Lady Rosemary's Engagement.

Though Viscount Ednam, M.C., has an equal claim, one goes on speaking of it as Lady Rosemary's engagement, the excuse being that she is so much the better known of the two. So far, he has enjoyed the communal obscurity of Eton and the Army; she has been

everywhere and met everybody as the daughter of an amazing mother. Even in years she has the slight advantage. And what boy, unless he be an Anthony Asquith, has—or desires—in the earlier stages half the social chances of the modern girl? She is, with anything like a "pal" for a mother, "out" on the quiet long before she is supposed to be. One was aware, though unofficially, of Lady Rosemary even in the old Stafford House days; and heard of her approving, when the time came for a move, of "one of those cottagey houses in Grosvenor Square"—a saying that pleased and was much repeated by the cottagers. The estate agents themselves might try its virtues in these days of mansion-shyness.

Old Neighbours.

But Lady Rosemary did better for herself than Grosvenor Square. She went to Dunkirk with her mother. She saw war, and learned of life and death, and



ENGAGED: MISS. V. WILSON.

Miss V. Wilson, who has been, during the war,
a V.A.D. worker at the 2nd London General
Hospital, is engaged to Captain H. Kennedy,
of the 4th (King's Own) Regiment.

Photograph by Swaine,

earned the right to be a true comrade to the wearer of a Military Cross. In the middle of her hospital work came an event which meant more to her than any other of her life — the remarriage . of Milly, Duchess of Sutherland. Now her own engagement throws even that into its proper proportion. U n-

doubtedly her coming marriage to Lord Dudley's heir is one that promises to give scope to all the interests and ambitions of a girl brought up in a great school. Lord Dudley holds large industrial interests in Staffordshire and Worcestershire, and is an ironmaster in a region adjoining those of which Duchess Millicent has made herself, by virtue of her work among the Potteries, the beloved mistress.

Lord Ailesbury's books,



MARRIED TO A WEARER OF THE D.S.O.: MRS. A. W. TATE.



AN ENERGETIC WAR-WORKER: MISS LOLA ORSHANSKY.

Mrs. Tate, who has been an energetic war-worker, was recently married to Lieutenant-Colonel A. W. Tate, D.S.O., of the Black Watch. She herself has run a hospital, as Commandant, during the war.—Miss Lola Orshansky, who is a god-child of the Right Hon. A. M. Carlisle, P.C., has been an assiduous worker throughout the war.

Photographs by Malcolm Arbuthnot and Swaine.



WAR-WORKER AND TRAVELLER:
MRS. CLAUDE WALLAGE.
Mrs. Wallace, who during the war served in the Croix Rouge Française, is the wife of Major Claude Wallace, F.R.G.S., whom she accompanied on an expedition to Central Africa. Major Wallace was twice mentioned in despatches.

Photograph by Press Portrait Bureau.

The Mummy
Again.

Mostyn's amazing quartos at Sotheby's, mostly date back to the ancient days of collecting. They take one farther back even than that Countess of Ailesbury who ran a little dairy of her own in Horace Walpole's day, and had the good sense to realise in her own time, as we realise now who read his fascinating

even than that Countess of Ailesbury who ran a little dairy of her own in Horace Walpole's day, and had the good sense to realise in her own time, as we realise now who read his fascinating letters, that "Horry" was the right person to favour with new-laid eggs. But among the few modern books sent to Bond Street from Savernake I notice a series of the learned Dr. Budge's works on Lady Meux's Egyptian collection. Therein, probably, may be gleaned the history of the mummy with the curse, which has, if I am rightly informed, given a deal of trouble since it went to the British Museum. Indeed, one desperate Egyptologist is said to have

declared that this relic, being offended, brought the war on England. "What did you do in the Great War, mummy?"

Those two big forces - the A Safeguard. epidemic and the maniasometimes clash. What notable tussles take place, these days, with a maiden's breast for the field, between a temperature climbing over normal and the call of the dance! "Keep the engagement; fling the thermometer in among the gloves and laces," says one voice; "No-bed's the place for you," says the other, and wins nine times out of ten. But it's good to see some sort of a fight put up, and I like the arrangement by which the Gisborough-Godman dance, originally arranged for 45, Pont Street, was quietly transferred to the Knightsbridge Hotel-instead of being cancelled-when one of the hostesses fell

ill. Youth will not be denied. Lady Gisborough carried on. Perhaps it would be as well for all dance hostesses work pairs until the 'flu abates, and with it the tragic possibilitynot of sudden deaths so much as of sudden postponements. It is above all things desirable that the epidemic should be faced bravely,

if it cannot be ignored. The

latter is the better, and safer

way if one has the moral and

physical courage necessary.



Lady Onslow is the wife of Colonel the Earl of Onslow, who has now relinquished his commission, on demobilisation, and is a candidate for the Ripley Division County Council.

Photograph by Elliott and Fry.

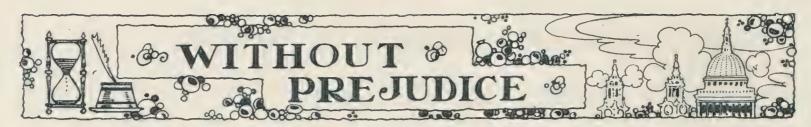
ENGAGED: A GODCHILD OF THE KING.



TO MARRY A CANADIAN OFFICER: MISS JOY MARKHAM, DAUGHTER OF ADMIRAL MARKHAM.

only child of Admiral Sir Albert Hastings Markham, K.C.B., who entered the Royal Navy in 1856, and retired in 1906, after a distinguished record is his only child, and is a god-child of King George.

Miss Joy Markham, whose engagement to Captain S. McCann, M.C., son of service. He is a well-known author of books dealing with his of Mr. James S. R. McCann, of Ontario, has been announced, is the personal experiences in the Navy, and other volumes, including a "Life of Sir Clements R. Markham," published in 1917. Miss Joy Markham



HERE is emphatically not a war on just now. It seems that all that we can offer in that direction is the little trouble with a few Polar bears and Bolsheviks in the suburbs of Archangel, and a confused noise somewhere in the East End of Europe, where the loyal supporters of President Paderewski are requesting the audience, in the classical formula, not to shoot the pianist because he is doing his best. Perhaps one day he will play them "by Special Request" the Polish National Anthem, and then we shall all be able to go home and demob; meanwhile, his brief but brilliant political career has come as a tremendous relief

to large numbers of humorous writers for the Press, because it has enabled them to get off huge quantities of facetiae about Notes and the Concert of Europe which they had had about them for years. Otherwise, you may tell from our conversation that we have 'verted to the brutal paths of peace. We all talk about plays and dances, and the latest official démenti from Clarence House as to the precise shade of Princess Patricia's going-away dress. A considerate Home Office has provided us with two exquisitely pre-war crimes; and, if some hasty gentleman partitions his wife like a Balkan principality and leaves her about in small brown-paper parcels all over London, there will hardly be an inch of the newspaper into which the perspiring printer will be able to squeeze him-or her, poor dear! The hair of sub-editors and bright conversationalists is whitening visibly in face of this terrible embarras of inviting topics. And all because, as I said, there is emphatically not a war on just now. Perhaps they would find life a shade easier if there were.

COUNTY

THE "BRASSIEST" IN THE WORLD: THINK
OF THE JAZZING THIS CAN DO!

Photograph by Illustrations Bureau.

The modern dance is, if you will listen to an old man, a horribly cold-blooded affair. Gone is the beaming accueil of one's hostess as she stood at the head of the staircase and welcomed her young friends; and perished the potted geraniums that stood in a splendid array, two on each stair, as one passed up between them to the

room was where one could escape from one's partners and bury one's head in a box of his C 3 cigars? Can he be that furtive and shambling figure that is lurking uneasily under the lee of the trap-drummer, and wondering how soon they will let him push the drawing-room sofa off his bed and get into it? The trouble about these dances of yours, my young friends, is that they are just dances. Now a dance should not be merely a place where they dance. It should be an Occasion. There should be Atmosphere about it. There might even be Introductions. You should tear your attention away from the Floor and provide a few seats. You should appreciate,

as the last generation did before you, the advantage of a limited number of hiding-places. But no. You will inevitably sink all your capital in the strings and percussion of a jazz battery, and quiet people who just looked in for supper and a little company will be driven to spend their evenings in the music-hall and the public-house. It is a Bad Business.

The steady demoralisation of the public service by an interminable series of Armistice dinners is getting really serious. The Departments have given banquets to their chiefs, to themselves, to each other, and to the other people. These orgies, as one must now describe any class of entertainment to which it is desired to call attention, were all conducted on uniform lines. It was a rigid rule that He took the chair and replied to the health of the Department proposed by the Deputy-Him; He made it a point to be strikingly modest about His work, and to attribute the well-known success of the Department to the loyalty and co-operation of the Deputy-Him, whom

we all knew to have been trying to steal His job for years. Then the Deputy-Assistant-He proposed the Ladies, and was excruciatingly funny about typists, tea-making, and the institution of marriage: how we all laughed—even He himself! Now they are getting a trifle concerned, because they seem to be running out of excuses to dine So



FOR THE DANCE AT PRINCE'S ON THE 25TH: INSTRUMENTALISTS—AND INSTRUMENTS—OF A JAZZ BAND.

Messrs. Vernon and Maurice claim that this Jazz Band is the brassiest band in the world—so now you know !—[Photograph by Illustrations Bureau.]

saluting-base. They seem nowadays to push the furniture into a bedroom, and acquiesce gloomily and under protest in the invasion of the house by a number of total strangers who happened to see the door open as they were going up the street. Where is one's host—that splendid person who used to tell one in confidence where the

affairs are being got up according to schools and offices: the dinner of the Old Borstal Boys in the India Office was extremely bright. The only remaining classification seems to be one based on personal appearance, and one is looking forward eagerly to an invitation to the banquet of red-haired men employed in the Ministry of Pensions.

RETURNED, FROM PANTO. TO THE PAV.



IN "AS YOU WERE," AS SHE WAS: MISS MONA VIVIAN.

For a while, Miss Mona Vivian had to leave the cast of "As You Were," at the London Pavilion, but not for long, in order to fulfil a pantomime engagement. Now, she has resumed her original rôle at the Pav.,

Queen Elizabeth scene, in which Mr. Morris Harvey appears as Shakespeare to Mile. Delysia's Queen Elizabeth. The "Pav." programme has never and continues to make a distinct hit. On Feb. 24 an added attraction been more attractive than it is to-day.—[Photograph by Claude Harris.]

made the production even more popular than ever. This is the new

A SYLPH IN SILHOUETTE: PICTURESQU

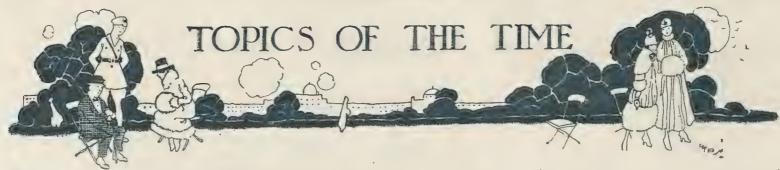


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QUE POSES BY A FAMOUS DANCER.



se photographs indicate what picturesque effects may be obtained by that means. They show the famous Indian dancer, Mlle. Roshanara, in a silhouette dance ne has not been over here for some time.—{Photographs by Underwood and Underwood.}



YOU and I are profoundly obliged to the postal and telegraphic services of the country for the new parlour game they have introduced into our households for the long winter afternoons. This little idea of bringing the excitement of gambling into the usually dull business of corresponding with one's friends, by sending off a letter and a telegram at the same time, and then backing the letter to arrive first at its destination, is the limit in godsends.

The best way to work the Government's bright little gamble is to live in the country and always have a new shift of week-end visitors to play it with you. If you operate too long with the same people they get to know that it's the letter that generally wins, and then the gamble becomes dull. The men to "take on" in this merry swizzle are the walrus-moustached superannuateds from the Civil Service, who are certain that a telegram is quicker than a letter, because you pay ninepence as a minimum for it.

My Daphne is a careful kid and leaves no circumstance to chance. She always will (and always did) make sure of matters in advance. And when to Town a wire she sends inviting pals to come and stay, she posts a letter to her friends to say a wire is on its way !

But once, by post-official freak (to help exception prove the rule), her letter took about a week, which rather made her look a fool. For "what on earth's the good," they wrote, "although your kindness we admire, of bothering to send a note by same delivery as wire?"

However, my official friends, you must not take the case above as hinting that it hurts or ends the bond between our mutual love! A gamble of a nature new is absolutely what we need, and all that I can say to you is "Thank you very much, indeed!"



THE MOTOR-SCOOTER FOR ELECTIONEERING: SIR REGINALD HALL
WITH SIR ARCHIBALD SALVIDGE (RIGHT) AT LIVERPOOL.
Sir Reginald Hall is contesting the West Derby Division of Liverpool, vacated

Sir Reginald Hall is contesting the West Derby Division of Liverpool, vacated by Sir F. E. Smith (now Lord Birkenhead) when he became Lord Chancellor. Sir Reginald runs round the constituency on his motor-scooter. Sir A. Salvidge is Chairman of the Liverpool Working Men's Conservative Association.

Photograph by Angel, Liverpool.

Clothes themselves have their likes and dislikes as well as their wearers. Did you know that? Well, I didn't until I came across this statement in a fashion article: "Afternoon gowns and evening frocks evince a great liking for tunics and flounces, tucks and tiny trills, all of which tend to disturb the simplicity of the straight line, so far as silhouette is concerned."

So far as I am concerned, I don't quite take my informant's disclosures with regard to silhouette disturbances; but I feel it is

clear that she wants to make me believe that frocks and gowns are frightfully fond of tucks and frills and things. I am asking Daphne to consult her latest-from-Parises on the subject. Some of their remarks ought to be fairly interesting—

"I hear you're fond of tucks and frills," said Daphne to her gown, which spread itself to grant the interview. "I wonder, now," asked Daphne, with her note-book sitting down, "if what the fashion writer says is true?" The gown kicked up its flounces (though invisible its leg), and feigning bored surprise at being caught, replied a bit disdainfully to Daphne from its peg, "I'm sure, I'd never given it a thought!"



THE REVIVAL OF ROWING AT OXFORD: TRIAL EIGHTS FOR THE TORPIDS-THE NEW COLLEGE CREW.—[Photograph by C.N.]

But when my pretty Daphne looked a little bit annoyed, and showed a disposition to retire, the gown at once affected to be simply overjoyed, and had the tea things set before the fire. And there it chatted freely of itself and of its tastes, and showed her all the "notices" that praised, and gushed at such a rate about the tucklets at its waist that little "Daph" was literally dazed!

When Daphne came to see me in my writingden below, she fell from sheer exhaustion with a thud, and begged that I might never ask her any more to go and ascertain if gowns were flesh and blood! Recovering in course of time her balance and her breath, and dabbing here and there the powder-puff, she said: "That evening gown of mine has nearly been my death! The wretched thing is human right enough!"

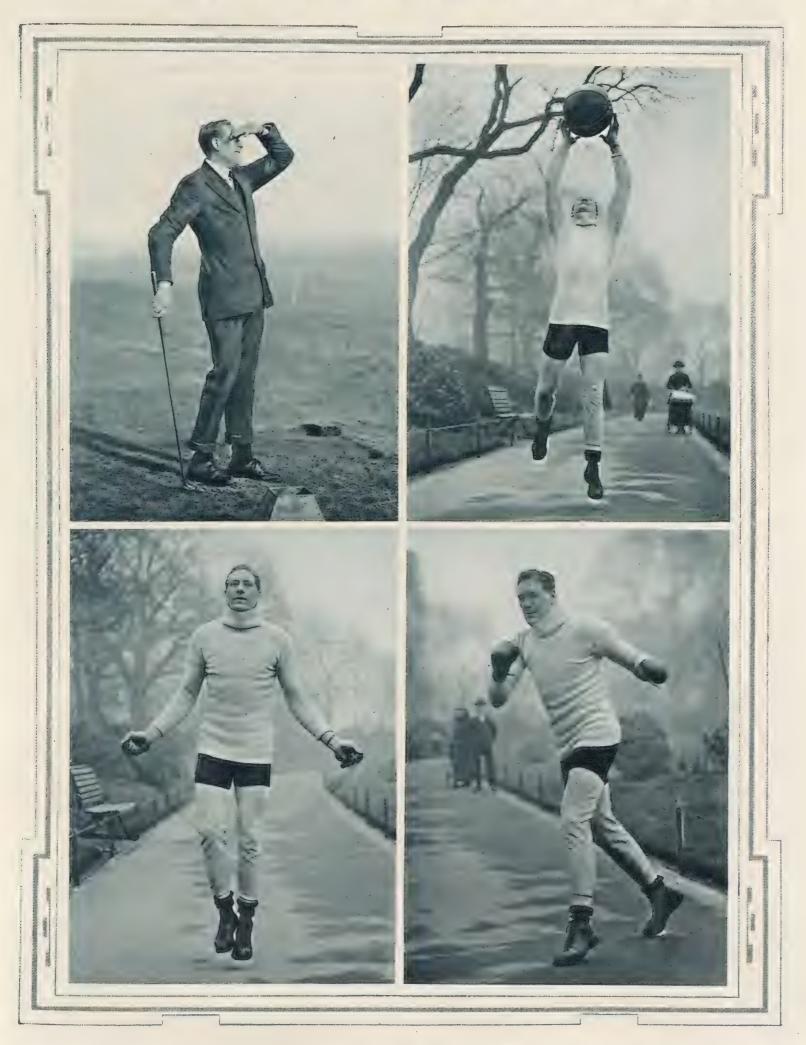
There 's a lot of chatter going about just now concerning the revival of village life. There are to be Morris dances on the village greens; a village band in the High Street, where the village policeman alertly stands with one eye on the "Spotted Dog," and both thumbs in his belt; and village presentations of Shakespeare! Oh, dear! (Ad lib.) But if village Violas, need we have hamlet Hamlets?

"To be or not to be," my friends! The question rests with you! The scheme begins or else it ends just as you'd have it do! It absolutely all depends upon your point of view!

There are no rogues in country towns, but "peasant slaves" there be, and some would make the finest clowns that ever you did see! For Yorick's skull and Hamlet's frowns, a village cemet'ry!

I shall not mind so very much if Hamlet's "not to be" the senior curate with a touch of adenoids; for he would make me cry with sobs and such: "Alas! poor you and me!"

TO SING IN "AFGAR": A CHAMPION BOXER TRAINING.



GETTING FIT FOR HIS FIGHT WITH JOE BECKETT ON THE 27TH: "BOMBARDIER" WELLS, THE HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPION, IN TRAINING AT BRIGHTON.

Billy Wells, the famous boxer, and heavy-weight champion of England, is to meet Joe Beckett, of Southampton, at the Holborn Stadium on Thursday, the 27th—his first civil fixture since his recent demobilisation. He served in France as instructor of physical training at a convalescent camp, where

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THE THREE ARTS AND COUNTLESS ARTISTS.

BY MARTHE TROLY-CURTIN. (Author of "Phrynctte and London" and "Phrynctte Married.")

One picturesque figure

who represented Austra-

ARIS is a city of contrasts, where a really hot bath is an irrealisable dream; but not even the Big Berthas succeeded in putting a stop to her fecundity in beautiful fashions. Mlle. Edmée Dormeuil, who came back from France a few weeks ago-where she has bought a wonderful historical house—has been showing me the most amusing little shoes in the world. Imagine small sabots-like shoes of light-blue patent-leather with a broad strap ornamented with brogue. Of course, such foot-gear, fanciful and fragile, is, like the shoes of Empress Josephine, not meant to walk in, but to be gazed at-blue butterflies-as the owner is jumping in and out of her car. Another charming bagatelle fresh from Paris which the pretty actress showed me was a "squash on" hat in the new straw called clair-de-lune, of the colour

of the moonlight over slate roofs. In effect it is not unlike the helmet of our poilus.

Like all of us—probably more than the rest of us—Mlle. Dormeuil is very much interested in dress, and her wondrous costume at the great ball given so successfully by the Three Arts Club created a sensation. Her iridescent skirt and head-dress, designed by the artist Idare, were shaped as a bivalve. Mlle. Dormeuil modestly described her dress as "just an oyster," upon which a witty and gallant "you" promptly replied, "An oyster containing a pearl!" Rather neat, wasn't it?

An amusing coincidence happened in the case of two of the winners of the Costume Designing Competition for that wondrous ball. The judges were Sir John Lavery, Hassall, and Harold Speed, and the competition was open to all artists and students in the whole of London. The three winners, who were seen at the Albert Hall wearing their own clever compositions, were Hilda Cowham, Miss Phyllis Price, and Arthur Carr. The two last-named were both fellow-students at St. Martin's and at Lambeth. Later, they both happened to want at the same time the same studio in the Strand. They compromised by both taking it—Miss Price to have the use of it in the day, Mr. Carr to work in it in the evening. I can imagine their surprise and pleasure as they exchanged telegrams of success in the attic of Art.

A short story in the best magazine tradition could be written around "The Two Fellow-Students; or, The Luck of Lambeth." The similarity of their fate stops there, however, for their creations

differ vastly. Arthur Carr's costume was based on a dazzle-painted ship, with white and black stripes at various angles. even his face coming into the scheme—that is to say, the black stripes ran through a wig and across his face. Oh, it certainly was original! The Three Arts Club is to be congratulated on the way the ball was planned and organised.

Comparisons being odious, I will only say that, personally, I do not think there ever was a bigger, brighter, beautifuller ball. All London was let loose in there—all London which amuses

itself! You met there people you hadn't seen for years; and then so vast and crowded was the hall that you missed your friends if you had not been careful to fix a rendezvous under some of the gay devises above each door.

There was an atmosphere of pleasant laisser-aller, a childish abandon which my "you" qualified as "jolly" and "topping." There you saw people (who had known better!) jump in the air to try and catch one of those elusive bright-coloured balloons with which the ceiling was gay—and their naïve joy when they did secure one which had not burst in their too eager grasp! People who were strangers to one another exchanged congratulations on their glad and gladdening rags.



roth, was a very successful affair; so much so, in fact, that a similar dance will take place every fortnight—the second (a fancy-dress dance) also at the Piccadilly, and the third at the Savoy.

Piccadilly Hotel-on the

Everyone regretted the absence of Miss Erica Beale, the charming organiser of the party. The receiving hostesses were the Countess of Carrick, Lady Muir Mackenzie (in a gorgeous ruby-velvet dress trimmed with fur), Lady Macready, Lady Horne, and Lady Moss. Mrs. Beaumont Thomas was wearing her beautiful pearls, and a shimmering dress of blue-and-silver tissue trimmed with old lace. I also saw there Miss Lilla Dunbar, charming in green, and not as severe-looking as a publicity specialist might be imagined to be. Lady William Williams wore blue; and Mrs. Hibberd Beale (in black) was indefatigable, assisted by such an excellent dancer and tactful steward as Mr. F. G. M. Wetherell.

A slice of some substantial play between two thin revues comes now and then (even in London) as a pleasurable change of diet. That is probably why King's Hall was so full on Sunday afternoon. the 9th, when the Pioneer Players gave us one of their always interesting productions. I particularly enjoyed "The Artist," which Mr. Miles Malleson adapted so admirably from Tchekov's short story.

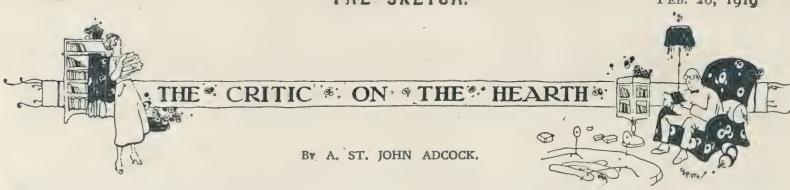


WORLD'S FLY-WEIGHT CHAMPION: THE WELSH WIZARD.



TO MEET JOE LYNCH: JIMMY WILDE.

It was reported recently that, subject to his doctor's advice, Jimmy Wilde would meet Joe Lynch, the American bantam-weight, under the auspices of the National Sporting Club, either on March 17 or 31. Wilde was in hospital soon after he joined the Army, and he has not been in the best The coming event is anticipated eagerly.—[Photographs by C.N.]



IERCE literary students who know nothing about anything else like to elevate themselves by spreading a notion that literature is as difficult a science as mathematics, and that nobody can appreciate what is best in it unless he is learned in those scholastic, unessential details that look so impressive in

> foot-notes. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Poets and other imaginative authors do not write for students and specialists.

> An elderly lady who was on the stage before she married into the Peerage assured me the other day that her favourite poet is John Donne, and her quiet enthusiasm and the bits she quoted satisfied me that she knew what she was talking about. "Literary persons are generally amused at me," she added. They can't believe I can really make a pleasure of what they make a business."

> One might as reasonably suggest that no man could win a war who had not had previous experience as an actual leader in battle; yet you learn from Captain Atteridge's "Marshal Foch" that the most successful of modern Generals "saw



THE NEW MONTY OF "SOLDIER BOY": MR. FREDERIC BENTLEY, AT THE APOLLO. Photograph by Vandamm.

active service for the first time at the age of sixty-three in the early days of the Great War." True, he had all along been learning the art of war, as an author learns the art of writing, but you need not be a soldier to read this admirable account of his life and of his theory of modern warfare with complete understanding and interest.

"It is significant," as Colonel Buchan remarks in his preface, "that the two most conspicuous personalities in the last stage of the war should both be professors—the American President and the Allied Commander-in-Chief "-for Foch was teaching others to fight before he had done any fighting himself. But, talking of who won the war, "The Romance of the Red Triangle" makes you wonder that Sir Arthur Yapp does not put in a claim for the Y.M.C.A. The soldiers found it, as an Australian said, "a friendly old octopus," stretching out arms to them wherever they went; and Will Crooks, after a visit to the front, declared they could no more do without it than they could do without munitions.

"The Odyssey of a Torpedoed Tramp" is another new sort of

TO BE SEEN IN "FOOT-PRINTS IN THE SNOW": MR. WALTER TIMMS. Mr. Timms, who is to be seen in a leading part in "Foot-prints in the Snow," a new Master Film production, served with the Queen's Westminsters. wounded twice and badly gassed.

war romance, for the submarine was unknown in earlier wars. The story is told in a series of letters—a graphic, realistic narrative of everyday life and doings aboard the crazy old ship, with capital character - sketches of the captain and crew. There is an air of truth about it all, even about that charming idyll of the little French wife who received a telegram from her husband, "Going Malta ten days repairs come immediately," and crossed the world in defiance of everybody, and could persuade the gallant sailormen to break all regulations and help her on her journey.

Probably no woman living is a more intrepid traveller than Mrs. Mary Gaunt. She was born in Australia, but came to England several years ago bent on settling down to a literary career. But you can hardly say she settled down here, for she is continually going away in quest of adventure.

After writing some novels, she spent the profits on a pilgrimage into the wilds of West Africa. Later, she went exploring in China; now she has been out there again —each time going alone—and "A Broken Journey" is a

picturesque, entertaining record of how, in face of difficulties, discomforts, and dangers, she made her way through little-known parts of China into Russia and Finland, arriving there shortly after the outbreak of the war. She is acutely observant, with a sense of humour, and has the gift of interesting you in whatever interested herself.

From time to time our novelists fall into a habit of going to the Devil for their titles. He has not been so much on the title-pages lately, and I don't quite see why Miss Westrup should name her new story "The Devil's Problem." Penelope Glynn, her heroine,

is an irritatingly dreamy, selfabsorbed little person. She is indifferent to George Walker, who cannot act on Mrs. Walker's hint that " no woman appreciates modesty in a man, except his mother"; and she is almost as indifferent to John Inglesferry, but John is a very different kind of man.

Troubled to find how useless she is for war work, Penelope helps her mother at a cottage hospital. John is a young officerpatient, wounded, and apparently disabled for life; and, when he will have nobody else to attend upon him and is soothed by her presence, Penelope grows keen to sacrifice herself in his service. He begs her to marry him, and she does so; foreseeing a lifelong vocation in nursing him. But after they are home at his glorious old place in the country he makes a complete recovery, and they still go on living as brother and sister, because he realises that she is not in love, and that he has wronged her by playing on her sympathy and making her his wife. The problem is, how is he to waken the woman in her and win her love? But it is not a Devil's problem, unless the arrival of a pretty and naughty cousin makes it that.

'Most people like reading horrors," as Mrs. Evans remarks in Miss Westrup's tale, and, if you are no better than I am, you will thoroughly enjoy "The Middle Temple Murder." It is too clever-if anything, too ingenious-to be probable; all the same, it gets such a grip on you that, once you are well started, you don't care whether it is probable or not. It is as fascinating as a Chinese puzzle, and you can't lay it down till you have unravelled the mystery.

them Fancy Dress. on March 13.

THE ORIGINATOR OF THE "AMERI-CAN NIGHT" DANCES: MRS. LAW-RENCE. Mrs. Lawrence, who is an American lady who came to this country a while ago. thought it would be a good idea to bring United States officers in England into touch with English Society; hence the fact that she started the successful "American Night" dances, at Prince's. Eight have been given since last December—some of The next is to be



BOOKS TO READ.

Marshal Foch. By Captain A. Hilliard Atteridge. Introduction by Colonel John Buchan. (Skeffington

(Skeffington.)

The Romance of the Red Triangle. By Sir Arthur K. Yapp. Illustrated. (Hodder and Stoughton.)

The Odyssey of a Torpedoed Tramp. By Y. (Constable.)

A Broken Journey. By Mary Gaunt. Illustrated. (Werner Laurie.)

The Devil's Problem. By Margaret Westrup. (Hurst and Blackett.)

The Middle Temple Murder. By J. S. Fletcher. (Ward, Lock.)

Biffin and his Circle. By Harry Graham. (Mills and Boon.)

Station X. By G. McLeod Winsor. (Herbert Jenkins.)



ANOTHER "HICKBOO"!



THE DEAR LADY (to the pilot who has "crashed"): Oh, I am so glad to see you. I've been simply tonging for an aeroplanc to alight in my garden. Do come along and let me show you to little Willie.

DRAWN BY G. E. STUDDY.





PERSONALITIES AT THE AIR MINISTRY.

By C. G. GREY, Editor of "The Aeroplane."

MONG all the re-shuffles of offices, officers, and officials under the new Cabinet, those at the Air Ministry seem to have attracted most attention, and certainly they appear to have given most satisfaction. It is a healthy sign that the public in

general have been so interested in these appointments, for it indicates that people are beginning to realise the fact that Air Power is going to mean as much to this country in the future as Sea Power has meant in the past. Moreover, the splitting up of the Air Ministry into a Military and a Civilian side shows remarkable acumen on the part of the Minister who is responsible for the action. There are those who do not hesitate to give Mr. Winston Churchill full credit for this brainwave, despite his unpopularity with certain sections of the Press and politicians. Anyhow, Mr. Churchill was the first Cabinet Minister to become thoroughly enthusiastic about flying, and he certainly has a wonderfully active brain; so circumstantial evidence points in his direction.

"Boom" is Back Naturally, the activeservice people of the Again. R.A.F. are pleased principally at the appointment of Major-General Sir Hugh Trenchard as Chief of the Air Staff. The day the appointment was announced they were all running about as pleased as the proverbial dog with two

tails—one could positively see them wagging with joy. Ever since that lamentable day in 1918 when Sir Hugh left the Air Ministryand when, incidentally, such a storm was raised about it in the House of Commons—the R.A.F., and particularly the strong R.F.C. element, has been consoling itself with the idea that he was



CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF: MAJOR-GENERAL SIR H, M. TRENCHARD, K.C.B., D.S.O. Photograph by Russell.

General Sir Frederick Sykes to be Controller-General of Civil Aviation. His prophecies before the war as to the work of aircraft in war have been accurately fulfilled; so

coming back some day.

to quote their own phrase, "'Boom' is back again; so it's all right"—" Boom"

being the nickname bestowed on the Chief

of the Air Staff in the

early days of the R.F.C., and used now

by all ranks of the

R.A.F. as a mark of

The Right Man

as Civil Controller.

highly also of the

appointment of Major-

high esteem.

People think

their fondest wish is fulfilled; and,

Now

his foresight is proved. And the great quality needed in the control of Civil Aviation is obviously foresight. Supremacy in this sphere of activity is as necessary to our future welfare as is the supremacy of the British Mercantile Marine. In several recent public speeches, Sir Frederick Sykes has made confession of his faith in civilian flying; and if his prophecies



DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF AIRCRAFT PRODUC-TION AND RESEARCH: MAJOR-GENERAL E. L. ELLINGTON, C.B., C.M.G. Photograph by Bassano.

are as well fulfilled as were his pre-war efforts, all will be well. He is a very able organiser, a capable diplomatist, and an experienced aviator; so he seems quite the right man to be Chief of the Aerial Civil Service.

> What About Aerostation?

Incidentally, it is noteworthy that his title is Controller - General of

Civil Aviation. Does this mean that he is not to control civilian airships? The word Aeronautics includes the navigation of aircraft of all kinds; but the word Aviation is properly applied to aeroplanes alone; the corresponding word for airships being Aerostation. At present all airships are the property of the Navy, and do not come under the Air Ministry either for design or construction. Can it be that the Admiralty intends to control Civil Aerostation, while the Air Ministry controls Civil Aviation; or is it merely owing to a philological inexactitude that General Sykes was not entitled Controller-General of Civil Aeronautics?

The Right Man Brigadier-General Ellington, who has been apfor Production. pointed Controller-General

of Production and Research, has one outstanding qualification for the post. He is not an "expert." He is a very experienced Staff Officer of the Old Army. He was one of the

first G.S.O.s to be appointed to General Henderson's staff on the formation of the R.F.C., and he has been engaged on air-staft work ever since. Consequently he is qualified to sit in calm and impartial judgment on all questions concerning the production of aircraft and research work, and he is not in the least likely

to want to "butt in" with his own pet theories on technical matters. Contrary to popular opinion, it is a fact that the "expert" is always the worst head of a department. The "expert's " trouble is that he can never see the wood because of the trees.

The Deputy Chief of Staff.

Another highly satisfactory appointment is that of Brigadier-General R. M. Groves to be Deputy - Chief the Air Staff. General Groves-who is a Captain, R.N.has seen a lot of war service with the R.N.A.S., and is a most persistent pilot. He has an astonish-



CONTROLLER-GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION: MAJOR-GENERAL SIR F. H. SYKES, K.C.B., C.M.G. Photograph by Russell.

ingly quick grasp of new ideas, and unfailing energy in putting them into operation. Curiously enough, he is the only Naval officer who holds a high executive position in the new hierarchy It is noticeable that there is not one sailor on the Air Council itself. Can this portend that at long last the Admiralty is going to-create an Air Service of its very own?

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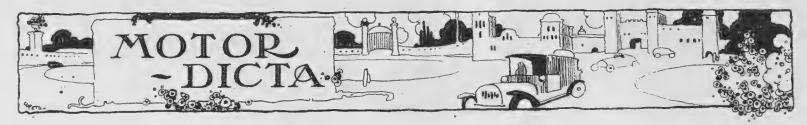
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applications, etc.? Yet behind it all lurks the shadow of a

ghastly suspicion-which is, I fear, not without good founda-

tion-that, though Austen's post-war effort in Budgeteering will

eliminate the necessity of licenses, it will hang on like grim death

HERE is quite a buzz of activity all round in the political dovecotes of automobildom, both individually and in some cases collectively, in view of the imminence of the Geddes régime and the fuel situation, to say nothing of other equally grave matters which must be faced now or never. Mr. Joynson-Hicks is very busy inside the new House of Commons in a very practical

fashion; and the Motor Legislation Committee is equally hard at work organising outside under Colonel Arthur Hacking D.S.O. M.C., late Sherwood Foresters, whose symbols of gallantry and be - medalled chest, added to the fact that he is in private life a certified limb of the law, should strike fear into the opposing ranks of obstructionists, and



IN PERSIA: A CONVOY OF LIGHT CARS HALTED FOR LUNCH-AN INTERESTING ITEM FROM THE EAST.

cause them wisely to withdraw in time from their insecure Hindenburg Line. Coupled with him is Mr. Alexander Thomson as official Lobbyist-in-Chief, who brings an expert knowledge of all the intricacies of the House and the tricks of the trade to bear upon the complex situation, as for the last two years of the recent Rump he was organiser of the Coalition Liberals.

Nevertheless, unity has not yet been achieved, Representation Without Bradburys. as the "Heavies" have announced their weighty decision to stand aloof, on the ground that under the proposed constitution representation is venal, and

per annum per representative. It struck me all along as the out-

standing weak point of an otherwise admirable essay towards unity; and I am glad to see that the objection has been promptly countered by unconditional withdrawal, so that representation has now been thrown open to all recognised motoring organisations and associations regardless of financial support - a wise move which ought, under the present urgent circumstances, to clinch things.

Beware the Budgeteer, My Son.

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ON THE HORSE GUARDS PARADE: A GERMAN TANK .- [Photograph by Farringson Photo. Co.]

roads, the fuel question is crying aloud to heaven and the Government; and the futility of the Petrol Control Department is irking common-sense beyond endurance. What could be more feeble under present circumstances, or a greater confession of weakness on the part of the emasculated Berkeley Bureaucracy, clinging to the sixpenny super-tax and the shadow of its former arbitrary power, than advertisements in the papers from the A.A. announcing that, in order to expedite the issue of petrol licenses, it has been authorised by this tottering Department to receive

the Crossley Company, and one or two others, including a representative of the War Office to take care that its proprietorial position be not overlooked; and someone to represent directly the interests of the agents. Lieutenant-Colonel Holbrook will boss this particular branch of the proceedings, while Sir "Tommy" keeps a roving eye over the whole lot. For once it seems that the right thing is really being done in the right way; and a statue will have to be erected in Whitehall, in days to come, to this novelty—the Brass Hat who would take advice, seated in state at the wheel of a second-hand car.

to the super-sixpence at the very hour of motoring's greatest need of encouragement and cheap fuel. So far is this anticipated in practical motoring circles, unless it be sufficiently ventilated and agitated against, that the Motor is organising a big protest, which motorists in their tens of thousands should

> in these days of their emancipation automobilical as well as political. If it be rebudgeted, it will be-

solidly to a man-yea,

and to a woman too,

come a permanent imposition; and cheap fuel is the keynote of the democratisation of motoring-which should be a first principle in these days of democracy.

A Brass Hat Who For a pleasant contrast in the ranks of officialdom, General Sir "Tommy" Atkins is taking Takes Advice. the broad view and showing himself amenable to sweet reason and sound advice in his new job of demobilising and selling off the surplus autos accumulated during the stress of war. He is actually taking civilian counsel upon a civilian subject-a revolution without parallel in brass-hatted policy which will surely get him eyed with the gravest suspicion by the palæolithic dead-

heads in Whitehall-and has formed a little expert committee to

assist him, composed not of war failures or gallants from the West (London) front, but of practical past-masters in the motor world. Among them are Mr. "Alphabetical" Underdown, chairman of the British Manufacturers; Mr. Leslie Walton, chairman of the Motor Trade Association collectively and the Vauxhall Company individually; Mr. Julian Orde, secretary to the R.A.C. (presumably to watch the interests of the amateur purchaser); Mr. G. Hubert Woods, of



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IN THE MARCH

PEARSON'S MAGAZINE

EORGE ROBEY'S anecdotes are famous. Everyone who wants to hear the "latest and best" seeks the entrée to his dressing-room.

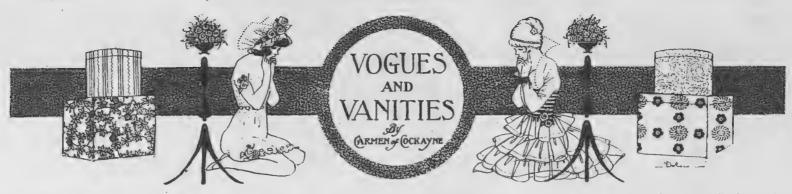
"PEARSON'S MAGAZINE" has persuaded Mr. Robey to commit the cream of his repertoire to paper, and the first instalment of "perfectly priceless" yarns appears in

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THE MAGAZINE THAT SETS THE PACE.



You Never Know. Though Mr. G. H. Roberts has been busy removing some of the coupon restrictions and generally setting about the job of de-rationing, fashion, so far as millinery is concerned, seems bent on pursuing the path of economy.

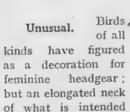
Hats are of all sorts of shapes-most of them new, a few of them eccentric. None of them, however, err on the side of extravagance in trimming. Even those that sport the victory feather content themselves with the smallest specimen they can find. Still it is something to know that feathers are coming back to favour. They are, to begin with, becoming to almost every type of face, and always give a pleasantly "soft" effect.

Glycerined Glory. Apropos of feathers, it is diffi-cult to find a reason for the new process of treatment known as "glycerining," whereby the fronds of an ostrich-feather hang limp and straight on either side the central stem. But reason, as every woman knows, has nothing to do with Fashion, who would lose at least half her charm

if she ever consented to conduct herself in accordance with anything so prosaic as commonsense. In any case, the

glycerined feather has an unusual appearance and a charm of its own; and those who don't care about it have

plenty of other alternatives in the way of hat-decoration from which to make a choice, for the mode is nothing if not catholic in its tastes.



Fashion thinks of everyone, including the matron who wants to be smart. of what is intended to suggest an ostrich, perched on the upturned side

of a black satin hat, is surely something novel in the way of trimming. this direction. You can see the hat at the millinery salons of the Regent Street house of Peter Robinson-where, indeed, all the newcomers can be studied, and where Dolores found

the originals of the sketches she has done for this page. To return

to the ostrich already referred to, its main claim to notice-apart from the fact that you couldn't miss seeing it in any case - is that it is completely covered in glycerined feathers, those at the base of the neck falling down almost to the ears of the wearer. The soft effect of the mass of fronds helps to tone down what might otherwise be a hat too uncompromisingly severe for any but the most beautiful wearer.

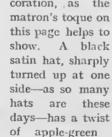
Sheer Simplicity. Though now and again one comes across elaborate confections, or confections that look elaborate by comparison with other and plainer models, there is no doubt that, during the spring months at least, elegance will only be arrive! at via sheer simplicity. Hats aim at making an impression not so much by size or trimming as by sheer force of colour and unusual form. Brims at the back have ceased to exist. The curious little jockey-cap toques of yesteryear



Decoration on hats is still rationed. This one, of aquamarine and gold brocade, has only two small flowers for trimming.

about apples or cherries, or dates or currants, against their will. Flowers as well as wings are

equally "correct" wear, and ribbon is once more playing an important rôle in hat - decoration, as the





of apple-green picot-edged ribbon round the crown, as well as a bunch of shaded blue

roses in front, by way of ornament; and spring flowers of all kinds rise in velvety profusion and unusual variety from the brims and crowns of other models.



Sailor shapes are making a welcome

that this model thinks necessary in

Black velvet is all

re-abbearance.

Tricornes and tailor-mades were designed for each other. A ribbon cockade is quite capable of doing duty as trimming

have been replaced by what is, perhaps, best described as the jockey-cap hat—an elongated affair of quite reasonable dimensions, the peaked brim in front of which seems to have absorbed that part of it which the back lacks. It is not every woman who can wear a

hat that rises straight from her hair at the back, but most women will make the attempt when they find themselves face to face with one of blue-and-gold brocade, lined with blue satin, and trimmed with a curious little spray of mingled flowers and fruit sewn down perfectly flat at one side of the brim.

Like Nothing Earthly.

Mention of fruit is a reminder of the unusual forms of decoration that appear on the hats.

Currants and raisins, cherries, and apples of a kind which even Eve might have been forgiven for eating, help to give a distinctly individual look to millinery of the moment. Very little regard is paid to nature either in the matter of form or colour, but the effect is good; and effect, after all, is the most important thing in these matters. But it is not everyone whose taste inclines to the fruitarian in trimmings. Nobody,

though, need carry

of black velvet, especially when it is trimmed with osprey.

Nothing can beat the smartness

Flowers and fruit, how-An Alternative. ever, are not the only wear. Wings of all shapes and sizes, as well as stiff quills, are all pressed into the service of the modiste. These latter are chiefly used with hats especially designed for wear with the tailormades that are to be worn so much this spring. One very bright-coloured specimen is generally accounted enough; but its presence does not necessarily mean that any other trimming is barred. For instance, the fact that a small taupe-coloured georgette hat, lined with brown satin, has one side of the crown pierced by a bright blue jay quill has not prevented whoever was responsible for its existence spending time and trouble on the work of plastering the upper part of the brim with a camouflage device of scarlet and green and orange and bright-blue braid. They are hardly visible at a distance, but close at hand give a welcome touch of colour.

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The Modest Violet. "Oh, to be in England when the violet's there"—this is a wilful misquotation, and the violet referred to is always here. The Misses A. and D. Allen-Brown see to that. When their violet nurseries at Henfield, Sussex, are in full bloom these enterprising Fellows of the Royal Horticultural Society set themselves to store the charm of its scent. The success with which they do so is assured by the large number of women who are their regular clients for their most delicious and delicate and lasting English Violet Perfume; also for the toilet-water, cream, hair-wash, bath-crystals, powder, soap, foam, sachets, etc., which follow it en suite. love the scent, too, and have it sent to them at home and abroad, appreciating highly the English violet & shaving-sticks. A booklet will be sent post free, setting forth these most desirable preparations and their price, on application to the Misses Allen-Brown, at Henfield



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Huts, Not Houses. "You don't happen to have a house or two about you?" is a question I was asked the other day by an eager pair of house-hunters. I did not; but what I wanted to have was a cheque for a Church Army Hut in my pocket. I had been hearing of the splendid work

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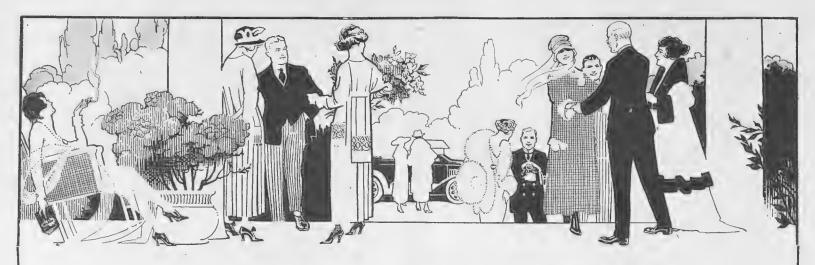


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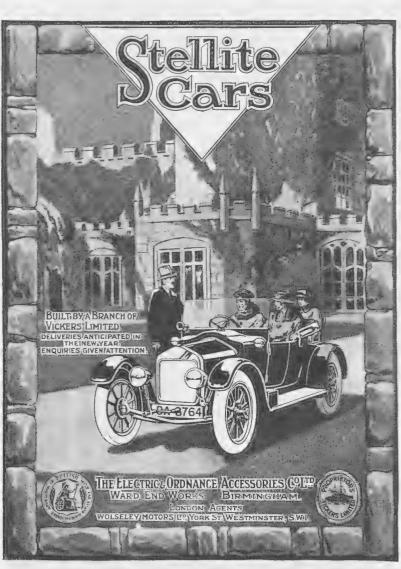
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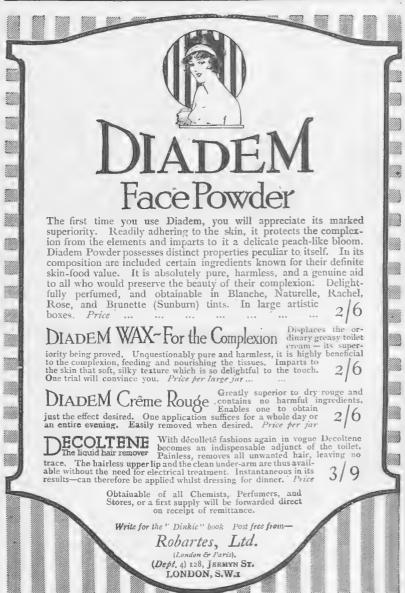
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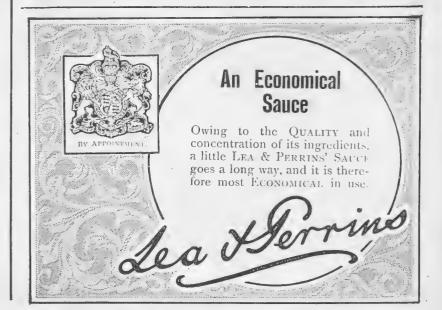
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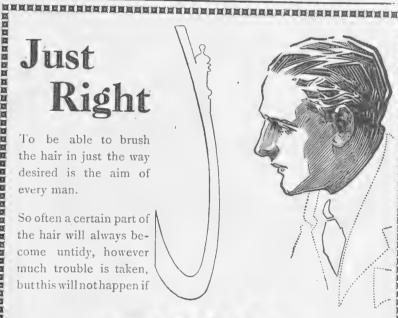
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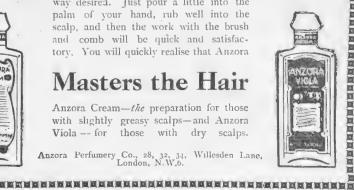


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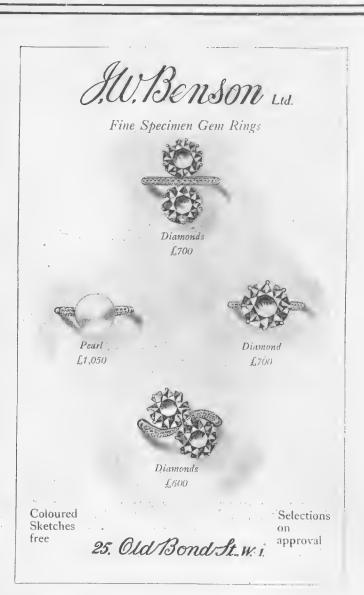


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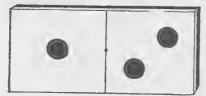
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Limerick lace, a peep of which, at the left side of the skirt, suggested a draped underskirt. There was a girdle of pearl embroidery falling in ends to one side near the back of the skirt. The train was attached at the front of each shoulder with diamond ornaments. It was wide at the hem, and was rather like a Venetian Manteau de Cour, with a large true-lovers' knot executed in orange-blossom near the hem. The veil, of old family lace, was cleverly arranged in an adaptation of mantilla style, and a wreath of laurel-leaves was so worn that it showed only at an interval between waves of hair. The effect of this bridal costume, a creation by Debenham and



GENERAL PLUMER AT COLOGNE: INSPECTING THE BRITISH RHINE GUNBOAT PATROL .- [Photograph supplied by C.N.]

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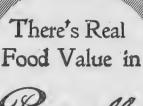
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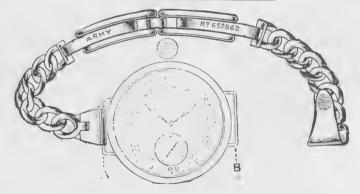
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The Royal Event. The number of those who are disappointed of their wish for a seat in Westminster Abbey for Princess Patricia's wedding is sure to be large, for the bride has many more friends and well-wishers than those with whom she is personally acquainted. It is a rather interesting fact that though Westminster Abbey is rich in historic associations, and is invariably the scene of the Coronation of a British King or Queen, Royal weddings have always taken place elsewhere—usually at St. George's Chapel, Windsor, or the Chapel Royal, St. James's Palace, where the limited accommodation necessitated the cutting-down of invited guests to a minimum. The Royal decision that nothing remotely suggestive of mourning was to be in evidence at the ceremony ought to go a long way towards making the marriage a brilliant social function, as well as an event of deep personal interest to the Royal Family.

Signs of the Times. Many are the little homely touches, the old-time revivals, to remind us that we are returning to the ways of peace. The Apaches, for instance, are busy in Paris, and our own old-fashioned burglars are doing overtime in London; there are dances at Londonderry House; the Asquith ladies are at Biarritz; a special train was arranged for the Devitt-Hale wedding at Shirburn Castle, lent by Lord Macclesfield; and, most peace-timely of all, Lady Cynthia Curzon gets her licence endorsed for driving to the public danger on the Embankment. I do not mean that she spent her time collecting endorsements before the war; but during the duration such offences seldom or never cropped up. There is just that extra strain of independence or high spirits about the motorist all on her own which takes her into the tight corners avoided by the war-worker.

Among the words which the exigencies of war had almost driven out of existence were many which in former days-days which for years had seemed almost incredible-betokened comfort and plenty was "abundance." It is a relief to see it gradually making its way back into the records and comments of everyday life. It was in truth a welcome novelty to see in a shopping report of last week that 'Smithfield was over-stocked with meat . . . the best we have had for a long time." It invites, also compels, one to cry with Hamlet: "For this relief, much thanks."

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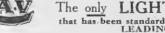
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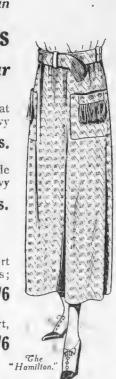
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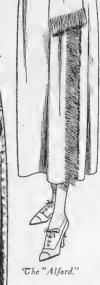
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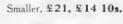
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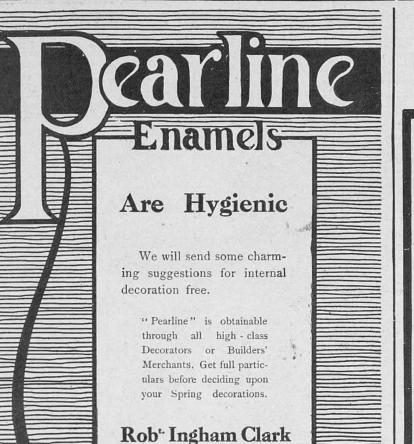
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